

December 17, 2008

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> RE: MUR 6136 STEVE SCHEFFLER AND IOWA CHRISTIAN ALLIANCE

Dear Mr. Thornton:

This is in response to your letter dated December 17, 2008, which we received on that day requesting a 30-day extension to respond to the complaint filed in the above-noted matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of General Counsel has granted the requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on or before January 9, 2009.

If you have any questions, please contact me on our toll-free telephone number, (800) 424-9530. Our local telephone number is (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Frankie D. Hampton, Paralegal Complaints Examination and

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